



PATENT: Mail Stop AF
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 04173.0348

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Examiner mailed on July 27, 2004.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. A Petition for extension of time and requisite fee of \$110 to respond to the final rejection were filed on November 29, 2004, extending the period for response to November 29, 2004 (November 27th being a Saturday).
 2. A Petition for extension of time to further extend the period for response to January 27, 2005 is enclosed together with a fee of \$910.
 3. The Appeal Fee of \$500 (or \$250 if by small entity)

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 4. A check for \$1,410 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

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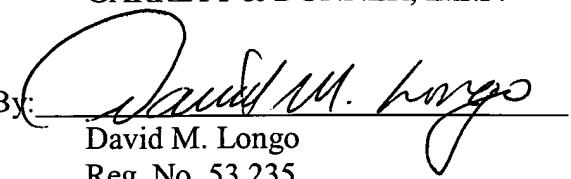
Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: January 27, 2005

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